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FOLLOWING SENT SECSTATE WASHDC FROM AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU

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ATTN: EB/OA/AVP

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SUBJ: FAA TESTING OF NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

REF: STATE 266438; KATHMANDU 4848

1. GON DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION TODAY INFORMED EMBASSY THAT WORK ON NAVIGATIONAL AIDS WILL NOT BE COMPLETED IN TIME TO ENABLE TESTING DURING PERIOD PREVIOUSLY INDICATED OF FEBRUARY 8-15. GON HAS ASKED THAT WE QUERY FAA TO SEE IF TESTING COULD BE CARRIED OUT BEGINNING MARCH 10. IF MARCH 10 NOT SUITABLE TO FAA, GON WOULD LIKE TESTING TO BEGIN AT ANY FOLLOWING DATE IN MONTH OF MARCH.

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2. IN ADDITION TO LIST OF EQUIPMENT PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED TO FAA FOR TESTING, GON HAS ASKED IF FAA TEAM COULD ALSO TEST AND EVALUATE TWO T-VASI PRESENTLY BEING INSTALLED AT TRIBHUVAN/KATHMANDU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

3. CONTRACTOR, MANUFACTURER, AND CIVIL AVIATION ENGINEERS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT SITES FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO GROUND EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, AS DVOR/IME'S ARE COMPLETELY NEW TO CIVIL AVIATION ENGINEERS AND AS CONTRACT WITH MANUFACTURERS INSTALLING EQUIPMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE ASSISTANCE FOR FLIGHT TESTING, FAA SHOULD COUNT ON ONLY LIMITED GROUND SUPPORT.

4. THEODOLITES ARE AVAILABLE.

5. PORTABLE TRANSCEIVERS CAPABLE OF TRANSMITTING 10-20 HZ MODULATED TONE FOR EVENT MARKER WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. SUBSTITUTION MIGHT BE POSSIBLE THROUGH MANUAL OPERATION OF VOR IDENTIFICATION CIRCUIT TO MARK EVENTS.

6. GROUND POWER UNITS FOR JET-START WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH THAI INTERNATIONAL. LIMITED AIRCRAFT SERVICING AND HANGAR SPACE CAN BE PROVIDED BY ROYAL NEPAL AIRLINES CORPORATION. JET FUEL WILL BE AVAILABLE.

7. VOR SITE SURVEY DATA PREPARED BY CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT AND INDIAN SURVEY TEAM WILL BE AVAILABLE. AERONAUTICAL CHARTS AND SURVEY CHARTS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE.

8. FROM POINT OF EXPEDITIONS GROUND HANDLING, AIRPORT FACILITIES, AND GROUND TO GROUND COMMUNICATION, ICAO ADVISOR RECOMMENDS CALCUTTA FOR ENROUTE REFUELING. CARGO UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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